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1 November 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, NPIC
FROM: Chief, CIA/PAD (NPIC)
SUBJECT: Comments on Cuban Coverage

1. For your consideration the following facts are submitted in regard to Cuban coverage:

- a. The latest most complete U-2 surveillance coverage was accomplished on 19 October, Missions 3113 and 3114.
- b. On 23 October Missions 3121 and 3122 did give us good surveillance of only approximately 50% of the island.
- c. A good look at the Isle of Pines has not been realized since 15 October.
- d. The suspect area NE of the Remedios IRBM site has not been seen since 22 October, Mission 3118.

2. My reason for submitting this data is two-fold:

- a. We have pretty well exposed our hand as to which sites we know about - there could be others that we know nothing about and they would know we are in the dark on them. Our inspection list would not show such sites.
- b. Known mobile sites could be dismantled and moved out only to be relocated elsewhere and we would have no way of knowing. ☐ coverage is not surveillance photography - only spot check.

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Sov-Bloc Air OB, Cuba

Sov-Bloc aircraft observed on photography at military airfields in Cuba indicating a probable minimum number of specific aircraft types present in Cuba as of mid-October 1962, are listed below:

39 - MIG 21 (FISHBED) - Santa Clara Airfield - 17 October 1962

20 - MIG 15/17 (FRESCO/PAGOT) - Santa Clara Airfield - 17 Oct 1962

12 - MIG 15/17 (FRESCO/PAGOT) - Camaguey Inter. Airfield - 17 Oct 62

15 - MIG 15/17 (FRESCO/PAGOT) - San Antonio de los Baños Airfield
17 October 1962

47 Total FRESCO/PAGOT (17 October 1962)

9 - MIG 19 (FARMER) - San Antonio de los Baños Airfield - 18 Oct 62

9 - IL-28 (BEAGLE) - San Julian Airfield - 4 November 1962

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7 - IL-14 (CRATE) - Jose Marti Airfield - 5 November 1962

1 - IL-14 (CRATE) - Santa Clara Airfield - 5 November 1962

8 Total (5 November 1962) (A known incomplete count)

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